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Examiner : B. Zeade  
Docket No. : 525/50004  
Customer No. : 23911  
Title : Wood-Based Decorative Article and Method of Manufacturing the Same

**STATUS REQUEST**

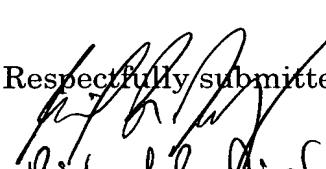
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Our records indicate that we have not received any further correspondence in reference to the above-identified application since September 17, 2004 when we filed a Reply. Please advise the undersigned of the status of the application.

It would be appreciated if the undersigned were telephoned in the event there are any questions related to this Request or the application in general.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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